



BEARTOOTH ECOLOGY BOTANY & BIRDS CRITTERS & CRAWLIES



JULY 11-13, 2014

**FRIDAY NIGHT THRU SUNDAY NOON
RED LODGE, MT**

Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) provides opportunities for women of all ages to acquire or improve their skills and knowledge in a wide range of topics or outdoor activities. BOW is designed especially for women and provides hands-on learning experiences taught by patient instructors.

The Beartooth Plateau - actually an interconnected "archipelago" of high elevation land - contains one of the largest contiguous alpine areas in the lower 48 states.

Differences in slope, elevation, rock type, and moisture support a diverse array of vegetation in a variety of habitats. The Beartooth Highway between Red Lodge and Cooke City gives easy access to this "living laboratory."

We'll spend all day Saturday and Sunday morning exploring the vegetation, birds and wildlife that inhabit the high country.

This class is for those with little or no formal experience in plant or bird identification. We won't be hiking far or fast, but this is moderately strenuous due to the 9,500 to 10,000 foot elevation.



American Pipit

Meet us in Red Lodge

Class is based at the lovely Medicine Flower Lodge located just outside of Red Lodge.

★ Friday evening arrive at Medicine Flower Lodge (MFL). Dinner is on your own. Evening program on basic plant terminology, helpful field guides & more.

★ Breakfast Saturday & Sunday is on your own. MFL has 2 full kitchens you can use.

★ Lunches Saturday & Sunday are provided by BOW – make your own sandwiches that we'll take with us. We'll eat lunch on the Plateau both days, weather permitting.

★ Dinner Saturday night will be at MFL.

Requirements to Participate

- You must be at least 18 years of age.
- Dress for ever-changing weather! It may be 80 degrees in Red Lodge but chances are it will be cool enough for a jacket and long pants up high. Be prepared for afternoon rain showers.
- Good boots are a must! We'll be exploring sites that are rocky scrambles or marshy areas. A walking stick or ski pole can be very helpful.
- Handouts will be provided, but you may find a small notebook helpful. Feel free to bring binoculars & cameras.
- No pets or children, please.



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Cancellation: The deadline to cancel is July 1. If you cancel on or before that date you will receive a full refund. After that date a \$20 cancellation fee will be deducted from your refund. Registrants who do not attend and do not cancel will be assessed the full fee.

Questions: Contact Liz Lodman at 406-444-9940. Persons successfully registered for the class will receive a confirmation letter and map. If you have a disability, medical condition or restrictive diet, please indicate with your registration. We'll attempt to accommodate your needs.

Join instructors **Jan Nixon & Lynn Kelly** for this unique opportunity. Jan has taught Beginning & Intermediate Plant ID classes for BOW since 1998. She leads botany & ecology field trips for the Montana Native Plant Society & the Museum of the Rockies. Lynn is a wildlife biologist who specialized in loon management. Lynn teaches middle school & high school science classes. She's been named *Conservation Educator of the Year* by the Montana Wildlife Federation and *Wildlife Biologist of the Year* by the Wildlife Society.

Registration Beartooth Ecology

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ ZIP _____

Phone 1 _____

Phone 2 _____

Email _____

[☐] Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

I fully understand and acknowledge that there are inherent risks and dangers participating in the BOW workshop and that my participation may result in injury, illness or death and/or damage to personal property. I understand other participants, accidents, acts of nature or other events may pose dangers that are uncontrollable, and I hereby accept these risks and dangers. I affirm that I am at least 18 years of age and that I am in good enough health to participate in the workshop. I have read and understand the above warnings and risks, and agree to voluntarily participate in this training workshop. I understand that photos or video may be taken for promotion of the BOW program.

Signature

Date

The **Medicine Flower Lodge** is a modern retreat that provides shared bedrooms for 2 to 4 people with bathrooms in/near each bedroom, full kitchens and outdoor hot tubs. Towels & linens provided. Or you can bring your own tent or camper (no hook-ups) with access to showers and kitchen.

Invite a friend or spouse who wants to “do their own thing” in Red Lodge while you attend the workshop. This option for campers only.

We provide transportation in comfortable vans so leave the driving to us.

Check which options you choose:

- ___ \$200 = 2 nights @ MFL & 3 meals
- ___ \$150 = 2 nights camping @ MFL & 3 meals
- ___ \$95 = Just 3 meals, I have my own lodging
- ___ \$25 = Additional person camping
- ___ \$18 = Additional person dinner Saturday



Rock Groundsel

Make checks payable to: **FWP**

Mail registration form and check to:
FWP-BOW
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